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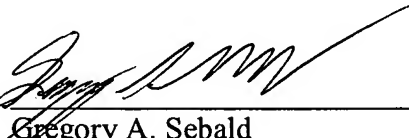
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	6,145,291	11/14/2000	Jarmain			
	6,155,036	12/05/2000	Pellenc			
	6,378,282 B1	04/30/2002	Carlton			
	6,463,725 B1	10/15/2002	Briesemeister			
	2003/0033749 A1	02/20/2003	Morris et al.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
						YES	NO
	2 103 173	08/17/1972	DE				X
	0 873 681 A2	10/28/1998	EP			Abstract	
	2 604 858 A1	04/15/1988	FR			Abstract	
	2 768 015 A1	03/12/1999	FR			Abstract	
	WO 2004/089063 A2	10/21/2004	PCT			Abstract	

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